Forty-three new members were welcomed into the Appomattox Camp, Woodmen of the World, at a dinner Saturday evening. Shown at the head table and facing the camera, are Mrs. Bobby Phelps, Bobby Phelps, Earl Clapp, WOW District manager.

Woodmen Of World Hold Dinner

Woodmen of the World, fraternal insurance organization in active in Appomattox for nearly fifteen years, regained "active status" Saturday evening when about nearly eighty persons overflowed the dining area of the Parkway Motel Restaurant for the Paul A. Smith, state manager for Southwest Virginia, speak on aims and purposes of the organization.

Toastmaster was Bobby W. Phelps, sovereign of the Appomattox camp. Smith was introduced by Earl Clapp, W.O. W. district manager.

Smith said that Phelps is "doing an outstanding job" in reactivating the Woodmen's work locally. He explained the three parts of the Woodmen emblem, Protection, Fraternity, and Service, in terms of the organization's purpose to seek out persons with high ideals and band together to provide insurance protection, fellowship, and community service.

Smith said that the Gladstone W.O.W. camp may merge with Appomattox in order to strengthen the local program.

The Woodmen of the World, Smith said, make an honest effort to instill a feeling of patriotism throughout America. Fifty thousand American flags have been given by W.O. W. to schools and other groups, he said.

Membership now totals 117, Phelps told the group. Of these, forty-three are new members, he said. Pins were distributed. Two ladies won doorprizes: Mrs. J. Peyton Harvey and Mrs. Roy Shaw.

District Manager Earl Clapp introduced the following as "special guests": Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Blanks, Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Martin, Gladstone, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Goin, Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Martin, Gladstone, Mr. and Mrs. James Nash, Lynchburg, Reverend and Mrs. M. G. Stimpson, Appomattox and the main speaker and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Smith.

Paul A. Smith, State manager; Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Clapp, and Mrs. James Nash, Lynchburg. From left to right, facing them at the table are James Nash, Julian Guill, Reverend M. G. Stimpson, Gilbert Trujillo, and Miss Cassie Campbell.

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Sunrise Service Sun., 6:30 A.M.

The Community Sunrise Service will be held in Appomattox at Memorial Methodist Church Sunday at 6:30 a.m. The minister, Reverend F. S. Wagoner, will preside, with Reverend O. D. Moore of Liberty Baptist Church bringing the message, "Resurrection and Living."

Reverend Jack Adams will read Scripture; Reverend Vergil L. Hudson will lead in prayer, with Reverend M. G. Stimpson pronouncing the benediction. The Appomattox Civic Chorus will sing "God So Love the World" by John Stainer.

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Social Events

Mrs. Ralph Ballowe, who has been in Lynchburg General Hospital, has returned home and is getting along nicely.

Miss Sandra Blythe, of Richmond, was home for the week end.

Mrs. Gobel Reynolds, who has been living in Dry Ridge, Kentucky, has arrived in Appomattox, and will make her home with her mother, Mrs. L. E. Smith.

Miss Catherine Richardson returned to Radford College Sunday after spending spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gilley, of Culpeper are visiting friends in Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Judson Franklin spent the week end in North Carolina.

Mrs. Jack Godsey entered the University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, Sunday for treatment.

A. B. Franklin underwent surgery at the Lynchburg General Hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robert Siebenaller have announced the arrival of a son, Robert Stanley, born March 18th at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan. Mrs Siebenaller will be remembered here as the former Miss Jacqueline Poston.

Mr. and Mrs. Howlette Burge Martin, are hospitaled by their son, William Childs Martin, are on a Southern motor trip. While in Florida they will vacation at the Americana in Miami Beach before returning via the Gulf Coast.

Mrs. George Abbitt, Jr. motored to Staunton today and was accompanied home by her daughter, Miss Penny Abbitt, a student at Mary Baldwin College who is home for spring vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Fletcher and son, Ed of Newport News, will arrive Friday to spend the week end with Mrs. Fletchers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Evans.

Fifteen 4-H'ers Win Ribbons

Fifteen local 4-H members received ribbons in the annual County 4-H Demonstration Contest Saturday, March 21. Senior winners will go to District competition at Longwood College April 25.

Jimmy Martin won a blue ribbon for his Forestry demonstration; Richard Martin, a blue ribbon for Electricity, Sandra Harvey and Ann Carol Dickerson each won a blue ribbon for her Dress Revue. Frances Reeve and Audrey Inge each won a blue for Home Management. N. H. Jones, Jr. received a blue ribbon and Carolyn Carter, a red, for Public Speaking.

In the Junior Division Betsy Jones won a blue ribbon for her Safety demonstration. Phillip Inge, a red, for Poultry. Aileen Torrence won a red ribbon for Public Speaking. Margaret Reeve, a red ribbon, for her clothing demonstration.

White ribbon winners included Beverly Winston, Foods and Nutrition; Donnie Jones, Safety; and Bobby Winston, Soil and Water Conservation.

Judges were Miss Carrie Jane Inge, Home Demonstration Agent in Goochland County, and Bruce Kroog, Math and Science instructor, Appomattox High School.

Ladies May Win Orchids Tonight

Lions' Ladies Night will begin at 6:30 this evening (Thursday) at the Appomattox High School cafeteria. Ten lucky ladies will receive orchid corsages. The speaker will be Sam Hudson, from Lynchburg.

Trinity Church To Present Easter Play

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of Trinity Methodist Church Appomattox Circuit, will present an Easter play, entitled "Did Christ Arise", Sunday night, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. The play takes the form of a trial. Modern Thinking sues the Church for libel in proclaiming a Risen Christ, and seeks to disprove the resurrection by showing it to be unreasonable, improbable, and impossible. The play is under the direction of Miss Jacqueline Cobb.

Thirty-One Students Complete Red Cross Home Nursing Course

Second year Home Economics students at Appomattox High School have received training in Red Cross Home Nursing under the direction of their home economics teacher, Mrs. Madeline Thomas, and Mrs. Betty Jean Jones.

This course required 14 hours of class work to meet the requirements of Red Cross Nursing and to be eligible for a certificate in home nursing. The students spent their time learning things a home nurse should know. Nearly every family at sometime faces the problem of caring for some one who is sick or injured. Today the help of family members has a new meaning in view of the many demands on doctors and nurses. It is important for teenagers as well as adults to learn the skills and acquire the knowledge that will enable them to care for the sick at home.

Some of the more outstanding things brought out in the home nursing class were the foods and nutrition a sick person should have. The girls planned and prepared meals for liquid, soft, light and full diets. They also learned in this process how to care for the eating utensils of the patient and tips on feeding the patient.

This class learned that cuts and burns are probably the most common injuries that the home nurse is faced with. They range from minor wounds to ones of great severity. Certain care and attention should be given to all wounds as healing is promoted and infection prevented as the students found out as the course progressed.

Students qualifying for the Red Cross Home Nursing certificate are: Kathy Caldwell, Linda Chandler, Nancy Cheatham, Nancy Cole, Dale Cyrus, Paige Daniel, Jane Davis, Faye Dickerson, Josephine Doss, Lois Merritt, Barbara Reid, Dale Reynolds, Anita Richardson, Marie Scott, June Wright, Clara Bradford, Carolyn Gaines, Helen Louise Garrett, Helen Mae Garrett, Linda Howard, Nancy Jameson, Mary Cat Mann, Patsy Mayberry, Bonnie Moore, Breda Robertson, Linda Rogers, Freida Shelton, Lina Trent.

Mrs. Natalie C. Robertson was the dinner party hostess Saturday evening at the Parkway Restaurant, in celebration of her birthday. Those attending were Miss Frankie McKinney, Mrs. Thelma Jones, Mrs. Clara Mitchell, Mrs. Edna Blackwell, Mrs. Rachel P. Lawson, J. Leslie Thornhill and John T. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Booth and daughter, Mary Watkins, spent Saturday in Danville, where they visited Mr. Booth's mother, Mrs. P. L. Booth.

Mrs. Russell P. Wagers, Richmond, and Mrs. Scott Ligon, of Lynchburg, will spend the week end with Mrs. Rachel F. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lawson will spend the Easter holidays in Bluefield, West Va., with Mrs. H. H. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davidson are now living in their home which they recently bought from Dr. and Mrs. C. G. O'Brien.

Miss Aleise Covington, Richmond, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rogers and Mrs. A. W. Covington.

John S. Evans, of Pt Benning, Ga., son of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Evans, who recently was promoted from the rank of Second Lieutenant to that of First Lieutenant, Jr. Evans will arrive Monday to spend a ten day leave at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phelps and family have moved in the F. F. Carter home on R.F.D. No. 3. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Earl Pankey will move into the home vacated by Mrs. Pankey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phelps.

Postmaster H. H. Conner spent three days this week in Washington attending a regional postal meeting.

Miss Mary Anna McDearmon, a senior at Coker College, Hartsville, S. C., is spending spring vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lewis McDearmon. Other guests in this home for the week end will be Mr. and Mrs. C. Lewis McDearmon, Jr. and daughter, Cecelia Ann, of Altavista.

Dinner Marks 12th Birthday

Miss Martha Moon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Moon, of Appomattox, celebrated her twelfth birthday Saturday with a dinner party for three Roanoke friends, Ginger Ryan, Kathy Whiteside, and Kathy McIntosh, plus Linda Jo Moore and Bette Jones, of Appomattox. A Hawaiian theme was carried out, with the guests enjoying typical Hawaiian dishes. Ginger, Kathy Whiteside, and Kathy McIntosh spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. William McIntosh and family, of Roanoke, were Sunday dinner guests of the Moons.

Chairman Thanks Heart Volunteers

A letter of thanks has gone out to all the county's Heart Fund Volunteers. Chairman Ivey Holland reports that $1,100 has been received so far. "Your efforts account for a very large share of this amount," wrote Holland. "You have had a part in providing more research, vice in the efforts to combat heart and associated diseases."

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"God Speaks Through Children" Says Minister Panelist At P-TA

Discipline methods used at Appomattox Elementary School also recommendations of the whole some family life were included in the three member panel discussion at the Appomattox Elementary School P-TA meeting.

John Biddle, visiting teacher of the Lynchburg School system, Mrs. Julian Hesson, seventh grade teacher at AES, and Dr. Arthur H. Brown, pastor of the Oakland Baptist Church, Lynchburg, comprised the panel.

Mrs. Hesson said, "The best solution to discipline problems is almost all disciplinary problems are settled by individual teachers at Appomattox Elementary School. "We take only the worst offenders to the office."

At Appomattox Elementary, Mrs. Hesson said, "You will observe that students are relaxed but are still aware of authority". She explained that one time-honored means of discipline, "keeping a child in" is not possible locally. There are "no recesses" and "no time to keep the child in," she said.

"The best teacher one remembers," she said, is the one who "makes you proud to be You."

John Biddle, parent of four children in the public schools, must use four different kinds of discipline." He stated that teachers also have to vary their disciplinary methods to suit each child. "Normal children are the concern", Biddle said. "Normal children are healthy, active, and spontaneous." He added, and "children will 'push' you as far as you will go."

Biddle said that "emotional problems are intimately connected with achievement. Fear is not enough teacher-parent communication." We need to present our children with "basic physical, mental, and spiritual teaching." If any of these are absent we do not have a whole child, he said.

The third panelist, Dr. Arthur H. Brown, said that with the national differences in children "you can't love any one child the way you love another." "Everyone of us needs love and approval," Dr. Brown added. "You want to know that what you are doing is right." He pointed out that "nagging is no good."

"Your tongue shouldn't whip your child," he said "The hardest thing for parents to do is to remain 'teachable' God speaks through children," said Dr. Brown, "and parents need to listen."

"He (your child) is not your thing. You are his trustee. Under God he has a freedom and a completeness separate from you."

"Discipline," he said, should look to "reformation and recovery." We are here because we believe in a creative life," he said.

When asked about "wheather to spank' a child or not," Dr. Brown said that as a child has great emotion, when punished physically was that of "recognition and humiliation."

Dr. Brown explained that a child can be a "devilish mirror" of the parents, reflecting behavior patterns, "and we don't like this. When the child does 'just as you do', it makes you furious." He said that the "absent father" in our urban society is responsible for a lot of child problems.

With regard to teenagers, Dr. Brown said, "Try to talk to your teenager yourself." About sex education, he said, "We need to teach our teenagers the preciousness of creativity."

Dr. Brown listed three publications he considers helpful to parents, for older teenagers and their parents, "Love and The Facts of Life," by Evelyn Duvall, Associated Press, $4.95. For parents "Love and Conflict," with forward by Dr. Duvall, Public Affairs Pamphlet, "How To Discipline Your Children."

Abbitt To Address Dinner April 2

The Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce annual dinner meeting April 2 at Randolph-Macon Woman's College will have guests from Fourth District Rep. Watkins M. Abbitt of Appomattox, as the speaker.

Del. Thomas R. Glass of Lynchburg, chairman of the Annual Dinner Committee, will introduce Abbitt.

Abbitt will talk on Current Legislation.

Methodist Plan Easter Service At Pamplin

Charge - wide Easter Services will be held at the Pamplin Methodist Church, Pamplin, Va., March 29th, at the hour of 11:15 a.m. Churches include Centenary, Piney Ridge, Evergreen, and Pamplin Methodist Church.

Special selections will be presented by the combined choirs of Centenary, Piney Ridge, Evergreen, and Pamplin Methodist Churches.

Invitation extended to public to attend.

Completes Course In Pastoral Care

On Friday, March 27, Reverend Thomas L. Waddill will complete six weeks of study at the School of Pastoral Care, N. C. Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem. Mr. Waddill is pastor of the Spout Spring Baptist Church.

Sanitarian Speaks

Mrs. Cyrus' 6th Grade Class was pleased to hear that the county sanitation officer, Mr. Graham A. Pitsenberger was to speak at their 4-H meeting Tuesday, March 17, 1964 at 9 a.m. The meeting was delayed five days because of SRA Achievement Tests.

The president, David Shrock, called the meeting to order. Paul Harvey, secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. We sang two songs. Mr. Moody had some announcements to make. Then, Mr. Pitsenberger gave a talk entitled, "Public Health". He also showed us some slides.

The president then adjourned the meeting.

Donna Hubbard, Reporter

Teachers Gi Math Cours Certificates

On Monday evening, Mar at the Appomattox Hi School, certificates we ed to thirteen teachers attitute teachers for the tion of a special course matics presented by department of Science the direction of Mr. R Tonier, Mathematics S After the course was co tion by Mrs. Ivey H Mr. John Hurt, sup teachers at Appomattox School.

This course was offe teachers for the purp dating their knowledge temporary mathematics the fifth in a series of mathematics courses teachers of the county last two years. These are being offered locally junction with regular school work taken by A result, approx per cent of the elemen ers have been assigned recent course in mathe

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I wish to thank my friends for flowers, cards, visits and all other acts of kindness shown me while in the hospital and since my return home. Mrs. N. T. Mitchell. 3-26-1p

We would like to thank our friends, neighbors, and relatives for their sympathy and kindness during our recent bereavement. Mr. Edward Cheatham and Daughters. 3-26-1p

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to my relatives, neighbors and friends for the kindness shown me during my recent bereavement, also for food, cards of sympathy and beautiful floral designs. Mrs. R. E. Mays. 3-26-1tc

I wish to thank the M.Y.F., W.S.C.S., members of Piney Ridge Church and to my friends, neighbors, and relatives for the beautiful cards and visits they showed me during my stay in the hospital and since my return home. Mr. Danny Williams. 3-26-1p

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J. BOYD BAGBY, Complainant

Against

SAMUEL WALTER BAGBY
275 Burnside Avenue
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LESTER BETTS
1503 Haskins Mill Road
Bridgeville, Pa.
SAMUEL WALTER BAGBY, above named, if living or if he be dead, then the widow and heirs, devisees and successors in title of Samuel Walter Bagby, a grandson of Elizabeth W. Bagby, deceased, who left his home in Virginia many years ago and has not been heard from since, who are made Parties Defendant by the general description of "Parties Unknown."

LESTER BETTS, above named, if living, or if he be dead, then the widow and heirs, devisees and successors in title of Lester Betts, a grandson of Thomas Anderson Willgroon, deceased, who left his home in Virginia many years ago and has not been heard from since, who are made Parties Defendant by the general description of "Parties Unknown."

And all of the unknown heirs at law, devisees, assignees and successors in title of the said Samuel Walter Bagby and the said Lester Betts, who are made parties defendant by the general description of "Parties Unknown."

Defendants.

The object of this suit is to have partition by one of the joint owners of the lands East of the Court House of Appomattox County in Southside Magisterial District of Appomattox County, Virginia, and being lots numbered 153, 154, 155, 157, 158, 159 and 160, facing on Confederate Avenue.

And it appearing by affidavit filed that Samuel Walter Bagby and Lester Betts are not residents of Virginia, they are hereby required to appear within ten days after the publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

Teste:

C. W. SMITH, Clerk.

George Abbitt, Jr., p.q.

3-5-4t

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Pursuant to authority vested in the undersigned Trustee by the Deed of Trust, dated November 10th, 1961, executed by Samuel R. Woodson and Mrs. Thelma G. Woodson, recorded on November 13th, 1961, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County, Va., in D. B. 75, at Page 88; that whereas default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness therein secured, and upon request by the holder of said obligation, I, the said trust be executed, and in conformity therewith, the following real estate will be offered for sale in compliance with the terms and conditions of the aforementioned instrument;

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Terms of Sale: Cash;

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Progressive Minister Sparked Interest In Local High School

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take necessary steps to build a new school at Appomattox. A building committee composed of T. J. Stratton, T. A. Smith and J. F. Dickinson with power to advertise for plan and specifications at a cost not to exceed $700 appointed. Instead of costing $700, it cost $800. The building was to be ready for use by October 1, 1895. Mr. J. B. Leving was chosen principal of West Appomattox. Later Mr. J. G. Fisher was appointed substitute for Mr. Leving.

Ordinarily the school time was five months. If parents wished their children to attend longer, private school was held for a month or so, for which the parents paid. But the high school was extended for two months upon the condition that the patrons operate it an additional month. There were four teachers in Appomattox High School in 1907. By 1908 the school term had been increased to six months and the High School to eight. Finally, by 1908 sufficient interest in building a larger school had developed for the board to take steps in that direction. Nine and one-half acres of land costing $1500, was bought and plans for the beginning of our present high school were initiated. "The Legislature of that year appropriated funds to help the Congressional District establish agricultural schools in each Congressional District. H. D. Flood, S. L. Ferguson and R. T. Burke immediately turned their energies to have the one for this district located here. Contributions were made by many citizens toward this worthy project. "The funds became available the next year and with the dignity, importance and responsibility of their association. None but madmen and fools could ever aim to suppress such a helpful institution as an adjunct to our admirable system of free education."

Gradually Capt. Chilton learned the number of meetings, until an annual institute was all that necessity seem to him to require. Even then steps to require teachers to attend had to be taken. As the years passed a committee made up of the superintendent and teachers planned the Institute.

The board was foresighted enough to recognize the value to be derived from the Virginia Journal, so in 1907 it was sent to each teacher for six months at the board's expense. The board did this on other occasion also. "It was agreed to try to induce all the teachers who could do so to attend the Teachers' Meeting in Roanoke, October 5, 1907, and to receive their usual pay during the time lost from school."

Many teachers, maybe all, had to go to the Court House each year to take examinations for two days. Those examinations were far different from what most of us would give today. The Board granted a $2.50 per month raise in salary to those who attended the State Normals (Summer School).

The early schools were heated by fireplaces if heated at all. The "big boys', and there must have been big boys in every school since the board allowed people up to 25 years of age to attend without paying tuition, went into near-by woods and either broke up or cut wood which they dragged or brought. As money became available the board hired people to deliver wood to school to be cut. Later cut or sawed wood was delivered. The "big Girls" "swept the oce - room school. The water bucket and gourd, later the dipper was a necessary part of every school.

Fortunate indeed has the Appomattox system been in the caliber of men who have filled the office of superintendent. The fact that only five men filled this position in almost a century attests to their dedication and excellent accomplishments. In addition to those superintendents already mentioned may be added these:

Mr. J. Kirk Rannah (1889-1912) who served as a board member before becoming superintendent.

Mr. N. R. Featherston (1913-1930) who was the son of the first public school teacher of the county and a teacher himself.

Mr. J. A. Burke (1926-1962) who was a graduate of Appomattox High School as well as a teacher there.

The following statistics will illustrate in a small way the results of Mr. Burke's foresight and leadership:

	1926	1962
No. of white schools	16	0
One-teacher	3	1
Two-teacher	5	1
Three-teacher	2	2
Four-teacher	0	1
Seven-teacher	0	1
Nineteen-teacher	0	1
High School	2	1
No. of Negro Schools	2	0
One-teacher	13	1
Two-teacher	4	1
Sixteen-teacher	0	1
High School	0	1
Total Value of school property	1926 — 198,900;	1962—2,119,414

In 1962 Mr. Earl J. Smith, Jr. was appointed to succeed Mr. Burke.

No history of a rural school system of by-gone days is complete without a mention of the place of the school as a community center and the teacher as the leader in that capacity. Appomattox is no exception. Because of its rural setting it usually near the center of the community — therefore, in walking distance or later driving distance. It was used for religious meetings, especially for Sunday School for those too far to go to church, the Grange and other assemblies. How many people have enjoyed the fellowship of each other while planning and executing box socials, pie suppers, sings, oyster suppers and bazaars to make money for the school, but at the same time have a little fun along the way. The teacher's visit in the home was once a "great occasion" to teacher, pupil and parents. Her visit warded off trouble with Johnny as he grew into adolescence and beyond. She could know Johnny better and be sure him in his natural surroundings. After she had spent the night in his home she was usually his friend. The teacher was able to introduce new ideas into the home since she usually was one of the most respected individuals of the community. She taught Sunday School, played the organ, may be got up a play or Christmas program at church or school. Unconsciously she was molding opinions. Sometimes she captivated the heart of a young swain who saw to it that she remained in the community where she reared a family and in turn became a patron— yes, a better patron than some she had had. As schools grew and roads improved the whole faculty was invited to supper in a number of the homes. There good food and good fellowship were in such abundance that each person present felt inspired to return to his job and do a better piece of work.

To the unknown teacher belongs much of the credit for the progress of the system.

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